

MILWAUKEE COUNTY COMMISSION FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

Deb Falk-Palec, Chairperson
Tim Ochnikowski, Director
April 11th, 2016

MINUTES

St. John's Properties
1800 N. Prospect Ave
1:00 PM

ITEM I CALL TO ORDER

Chair Falk-Palec called the March meeting of the Commission for Persons with Disabilities to order at 1:00pm.

ITEM II ROLL CALL

Chair Falk-Palec led the self-introductions of everyone in attendance.

Commissioners Present: Deb Falk Palec, John Haupt, Tom Jacobs, Barbara Leigh, Cheri McGrath, Marcia Perkins, Kathy Zalewski,

Commissioners Absent or Excused: Luis Arroyo, Supervisor Johnson, Denise Koss, Marcia Perkins, Sue Pickering, Andrzej Walz-Chojnacki,

Staff: Mike Bonk, Tim Ochnikowski

Guests: Tracy Harrington - MCTS

ITEM III APPROVAL OF MINUTES (January & February)

Approved Zalewski

ITEM IV SPECIAL REPORT

ITEM V TRANSIT PLUS REPORT

Tracy Harrington states recording with audio and video on busses has helped administration verify complaints, etc. Ridership is up. Go Pass 21,000 registered users. Report due in June regarding the program. Lots of people have been asking for replacements on their cards. Old GoPass cards get deactivated immediately. MCTS has seen cards being sold on Craigslist and deactivate those cards immediately, and ban the members from the service. GoPasses expire every 4 years on birthday month.

ITEM VI COMMITTEE UPDATES

None

ITEM VII REVIEW OFFICE REPORT (March)

Contract will be awarded with construction starting May to be completed by December. Alternate B was approved, Alternate A was not approved for separate HVAC system. Alternate A will go in front of the County Board to be approved in June. AMOP's being updated regarding service animals, mobility devices, etc. Five new County Board Supervisors will be sworn, into office.

ITEM VIII COMMISSION DISCUSSION

A. Recreation Updates

The office has continued their partnership with the Milwaukee Community Sailing Center, Sailing Program. OPD will start taking reservations. Summer Camps are filling up fast, and are looking to hire staff. Recreation Programs continue to grow in numbers. The Office in collaboration with Adult Day Services, Easter Seals, Goodwill and others will be hosting park clean up called, "Green Up Clean Ups" The dates of the events are as follows: Wil-O-Way Grant 4/10/16 Cancelled, and will be rescheduled for May. Wil-O-Way Underwood Green Up Clean Up will be held 5/1/16.

B. Chairpersons Report

Free Webinar regarding transportation including Bike Share and likely ADA issues. Tim will forward information to the commission.

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ADA compliant process, there is an option for a mediator, instead of filing a formal complaint.



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ITEM IX OTHER MATTERS BY COMMISSIONERS

Article in Chicago Tribune had a Dear Deb,

ITEM X OTHER MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

ITEM XI ADJOURN

Chair Falk-Palec adjourned the meeting at 2:00pm. The next meeting of the Commission will be Monday, May 9th, 2016 at 1:00pm at St. John's Properties (1800 N. Prospect Ave, Milwaukee).

Submitted by: Mike Bonk, Staff to the Commission